GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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IMPORT OF WHITE KEROSENE
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has announced a new policy under which oil companies are authorized to import white kerosene under Parallel Marketing Scheme;

(b) if so, whether the Union Government considers separate network for retail distribution of white kerosene under Parallel Marketing Scheme; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS AND PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a) to (c): In terms of amended Government policy, Government have allowed kerosene imports through State Trading Enterprises such as IOCL, BPCL, HPCL, IBP and State Trading Corporation effective 25.11.2003. Consequently, Government have advised OMCs to make supplies of indigenous surplus kerosene over and above the PDS requirement to genuine customers. Government have also advised OMCs to develop separate distribution networks for meeting the requirement of genuine customers over and above the PDS requirement.